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Arthur G. Vigeant is a life-long resident of the City of Marlborough and was raised on Brigham Street by his parents Arthur and Anne, along with his five other siblings.

Upon graduating from Hudson Catholic High School in 1975, Arthur went on to attend Worcester State College where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management in 1981. After working with seasoned accountants and earning his certifications, Arthur decided it was time to venture out on his own. He soon set up a sole practitioner accounting business in his home city, steadily growing his practice through word of mouth and client referrals. He has operated out of the historic Corey Building at 186 Main Street since 1992. Arthur's experience as a small business owner led to his becoming more and more active throughout the Marlborough community including in organizations like the Marlborough Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Marlborough Eagles Club.

In 1989, Arthur married Susan Dougherty. They purchased their first home together on lower Pleasant Street in Marlborough, knowing it was a great place to raise their family. Arthur and Susan's oldest daughter, Tanya lives in Boston with her husband John. Derek, the oldest son, makes his home in the beautiful state of Maine. Both Tanya and Derek are products of the Marlborough Public School system. Arthur and Susan's youngest son, Kyle, graduated from Hudson Catholic High School in 2008 and resides in Wareham.

Arthur first began his many years of public service when he was asked to serve on the City of Marlborough Retirement Board in the early 90's by then Mayor Michael Hogan. Having the opportunity to serve on an appointed board gave Arthur his first true taste of being involved in local government and it was one he enjoyed. In 1994, Arthur sought and won a seat on the Marlborough City Council as a 'councilor-at-large' beginning the first of nine consecutive terms of service on the City Council. In addition to serving as Finance Committee Chairman, Arthur was chosen by his colleagues to serve as City Council President for nine of his eighteen years.

As a Councilor, Arthur counts as one of his most significant achievements was working with then Mayor Nancy Stevens on the establishment of the Marlborough Economic Development Corporation (MEDC), a quasi-public agency created through special legislation of the Massachusetts General Court. The MEDC's charge is to help stabilize the residential tax rate by acting on behalf of the city to retain and attract quality businesses to the city.

In 2011, Arthur decided it was time to initiate a new chapter in his life and he decided to leave the council in order to run for Mayor of Marlborough. After a hard fought campaign and close victory, Arthur G. Vigeant was sworn in as Mayor on January 2, 2012. He was sworn in for his second two-year term as Mayor in January 2014 after running unopposed in the 2013 local election.

In his spare time, Arthur enjoys landscaping and gardening with his wife, Susan, spending time in New Hampshire, and watching college football.